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Job Creation and New York Liberty Zone Tax Incentives

On March 9, 2002, President Bush signed into law the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002. This law to provides numerous economic and tax incentives designed to stimulate the economy and aid recovery from the impact of September 11, 2002, terrorist attacks. The law contains several high-impact provisions for businesses and some impact 2001 tax returns. Some of the highlights include:

- Establishes the New York Liberty Zone
- Allows 30 percent expensing of certain assets (bonus depreciation)
- Allows five-year carryback of net operating losses (NOLs) to offset the alternative minimum tax
- 13-week extension of unemployment benefits
- Allows deduction of classroom materials
- Extends the Work Opportunity and the Welfare to Work Tax Credits (which expired on 12/31/01)
- Creates provisions affecting New York City businesses and residents